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1. I FIND JIM SPAIN'S "BEST CASE" ANALYSIS A STIMULATING PIECE.
FIRST MAJOR DEFECT THAT STRIKES ME IS THAT SITHOLE IS IGNORED,
WHICH LEAVES US OPEN TO CHARGE THAT WE HAVE ABANDONED OUR
NEUTRALITY POSTURE REGARDING WHICH BLACK LEADERS WILL INHERIT
THE NEW ZIMBABWE. I WONDER WHETHER THE OTHER FRONTLINERS WOULD
IN FACT SUPPORT SUCH A SCENARIO, EVEN IF KAUNDA DID. PERHAPS
WE SHOULD NONETHELESS TRY IT OUT ON HIM.

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2. MARGARET THATCHER'S FOREIGN SECRETARY JOHN DAVIS TOLD ME
TODAY HE BELIEVES NKOMO CAN AND SHOULD BE PERSUADED TO THROW
IN HIS LOT WITH THE INTERNAL SETTLEMENT. HE SEES GARBA
MAY 16.
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